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REPEAT DRUNK DRIVER ARRESTED AGAIN

On April 24, 2006 at approximately 12:35 a.m., Trooper Gill S. Vandenkooy of the Washington State Patrol (WSP) arrested a 52 year-old Bremerton resident for DUI. The stop was initiated by officers from the Bremerton Police Department (BPD) in response to a report received from the clerk of a convenience store who had observed an intoxicated individual leave the store. BPD officers located the vehicle nearby and requested the assistance of the WSP. The driver was ultimately arrested for DUI.

It was determined the suspect had five (5) prior DUI convictions. He was booked into the Kitsap County Jail for DUI with bail set at \$25,000. Formal charges are pending from the Kitsap County Prosecutor's Office.

The Washington State Legislature passed legislation during the 2006 legislative session which will make arrests of repeat drunk drivers such as this a felony. The new legislation takes effect in July 2007 and will make the fifth DUI arrest a felony.

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